



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Approval of Plans and specifications for the Kofu Park Batting Cage Project

MEETING DATE: February 19, 1992

PREPARED BY: Ron Williamson, Parks and Recreation Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the city Council approve the plans and specifications for the installation of a batting cage at Kofu Park.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: We have been approached by the Boosters of Boys/Girls Sports Organization and Tokay High baseball program to construct a batting cage at Kofu Park.

The location of this facility would be on the first base side of the field near the right field fence and water outlet storm drain, in foul territory. This would be a permanent installation that will allow batting practice facilities like the batting cage operation constructed at Zupo Field some two years ago. Since the batting cage will be near and on the berm that ascends from the bottom of the basin up to a levy for holding storm waters, we would be constructing two retaining walls, made up of railroad ties to hold the rock and earthen fill to raise the cage area above any potential high water level.

A storage building 15' x 12' x 6' would also be constructed to house the pitching machine/s and batting cage netting. For each use, the doors of the building would be opened, the netting pulled out the length of the cage area, and pitching machine pulled out to a stationary area to pitch balls to a batter. Electricity would be run to the cage to operate the pitching machine. Again, this would be installed above any high water area.

Tokay High School, under their coaches, would control the operation of the cage during high school practice or pre game situation. Likewise, the B.O.B.S./City would schedule and assign and operate for our youth baseball team usages.

APPROVED. _____

THOMAS A. PETERSON
City Manager

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This project was presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission on February 4, 1992, and received their total approval by a vote of 5-0, and comes to you as their recommendation for support of this project. It should also be mentioned that "Public Notices" were hand carried and issued by Scott Essin, Parks Superintendent, to the residents on Cardinal and South Sunset Streets, inviting them to attend the commission meeting for input. No one attended our meeting.

See Exhibit A, a visual of the park and proposed location of the batting cage. Also, a top and side view of the surface area and the building that would house the pitching machines and cage netting. See Exhibit B, Public Notice for input at the Commission meeting.

It is the plan of both the B.O.B.S. organization and Tokay High School to fund and build the project.

FUNDING: Minimal cost to the City, that only to haul fill rock and dirt to the site. The B.O.B.S. and Tokay High School have agreed to fund the entire project at no additional cost to the City.

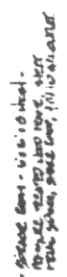
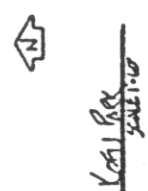


Ron Williamson, Director
Parks and Recreation

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cc: Bob McNatt, City Attorney

Attachments

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KOFU PARK - BARTING CASE -
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LOS, CA 90242

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

We have been approached by the B.O.B.S. and Tokay High to construct a batting cage at Kofu Park. The location of this project will be on the first base side of the diamond near the right field fence in **foul** territory. **This** will be a permanent installation that will allow batting practice similar to the installation currently at Zupo Field. Since this will be near the berm that descends **into** this area, we will be installing **two** wooden retaining walls. The pitching machine and net will be housed in a storage room. **The** room will also have a **110** outlet for power. **Tokay** High School and **B.O.B.S.** members will construct this project.

